35. Information Technology Act 2000 dealing with Cyber Security, Cyber Crime and other information security related legal aspects is in place to encourage expansion of e-commerce through internet.

Nodal agency for infotech sector

933. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to set up shortly a nodal agency for the infotech sector in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) the various functions and duties proposed to be allotted to it; and

(d) by when the new set up is expected to be put in place?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI SU THIRUNAVUKKARASAR): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Ceiling on telecom tariff

934. SHRIMATI BIMBA RAIKAR: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether because of the prevailing imbroglio in the telecom sector, Government would discourage predatory pricing by service providers;

(b) whether Government intend to impose a minimum lower ceiling in telecom tariffs, making it mandatory for the service providers not to undercut rates to lure business; and

(c) whether the row between VSNL and private cellular operators stood resolved and if so, the details of the compromise reached between the two?